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For: **METHOD OF PREPARING DISEASE PROGNOSIS MODEL, DISEASE PROGNOSIS PREDICTION METHOD USING THIS MODEL, PROGNOSIS PREDICTION DEVICE BASED ON THIS MODEL, AND PROGRAM FOR PERFORMING THE DEVICE AND STORAGE MEDIUM WHEREIN SAID PROGRAM IS STORED**

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Enclosed is an International Search Report from the Japanese Patent Office from the PCT application from which this National Phase U.S. Application is derived.

a. The relevance of JP 2001-519070 can be understood from the International Search Report and US counterpart USPN 6,493,637.

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